

In the Claims:

Claims 1 to 30 (canceled).

1     31. (currently amended) A combination for establishing an  
2     electrical and mechanical interconnection, comprising:

3             a first article including a first article casing and  
4     a first conductive part being an electric wire;

5             a second article including a second article casing and  
6     a second conductive part; and

7             an electrical connector including an electrically  
8     insulating housing with a cavity therein, an electrically  
9     conductive contact member that is received at least  
10    partially in said cavity of said housing, and a  
11    connector-side mechanical fixing structure provided on said  
12    housing;

13            wherein said contact member includes a crimped wire  
14    terminal that is mechanically and electrically connected to  
15    said electric wire of said first article by being crimped  
16    thereon, and a contacting part that is exposed from said  
17    housing and pressed against and electrically contacted with  
18    said second conductive part of said second article; ~~[[and]]~~

19            wherein one casing of said first article casing and  
20    said second article casing has a first recess in said  
21    casing, said housing of said electrical connector is at  
22    least partially fitted into and received in said first  
23    recess, and said connector-side mechanical fixing structure  
24    mechanically engages with a portion of said one of ~~said~~  
25    ~~first article casing and said second article casing and~~

26 thereby mechanically fixes said electrical connector  
27 ~~thereto.~~ thereto; and  
28 wherein said portion of said one casing comprises a  
29 casing-side mechanical fixing structure in said first  
30 recess, and said connector-side mechanical fixing structure  
31 is mechanically engaged with said casing-side mechanical  
32 fixing structure.

Claim 32 (canceled).

1 33. (currently amended) The combination according to claim  
2 ~~[[32,]]~~ 31, wherein said connector-side mechanical fixing  
3 structure comprises a fitting groove, said casing-side  
4 mechanical fixing structure comprises a protrusion on a  
5 sidewall of said first recess, and said protrusion  
6 fittingly engages into said fitting groove when said  
7 electrical connector is at least partially fitted into and  
8 received in said first recess.

1 34. (currently amended) The combination according to claim  
2 ~~[[32,]]~~ 31, wherein said connector-side mechanical fixing  
3 structure comprises a locking pawl protruding from said  
4 housing, said casing-side mechanical fixing structure  
5 comprises a catch rim, and said locking pawl engages onto  
6 said catch rim when said electrical connector is at least  
7 partially fitted into and received in said first recess.

1     35. (currently amended) The combination according to claim 31,  
2     wherein said ~~portion of said one of said first article~~  
3     ~~casing and said second article casing~~ casing-side  
4     mechanical fixing structure comprises a sidewall of said  
5     first recess, said connector-side mechanical fixing  
6     structure comprises at least one elastically deflectable  
7     wing protruding laterally from said housing, and said  
8     elastically deflectable wing is elastically deflected and  
9     elastically urged to press and engage against said sidewall  
10    when said electrical connector is at least partially fitted  
11    into and received in said first recess.

1     36. (previously presented) The combination according to claim  
2     31, wherein said housing of said electrical connector is  
3     press-fitted and frictionally engaged into said first  
4     recess.

1     37. (currently amended) The combination according to claim 31,  
2     wherein another casing of said first article casing and  
3     said second article casing not having said first recess has  
4     a second recess therein, and said housing of said  
5     electrical connector is at least partially fitted into and  
6     received in said second recess.

1     38. (currently amended) The combination according to claim 31,  
2     wherein said second conductive part of said second article  
3     is a circuit board contact pad, and said first article  
4     casing is said one ~~of said casings~~ casing that has said  
5     first recess therein.

1     39. (currently amended) The combination according to claim 31,  
2     wherein said second conductive part of said second article  
3     is a circuit board contact pad, and said second article  
4     casing is said one ~~of said casings~~ casing that has said  
5     first recess therein.

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